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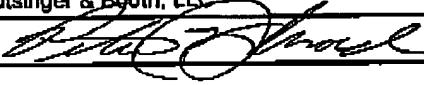
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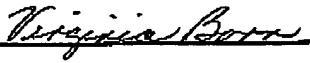
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF MARCH 11, 2005

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Amendments to the Specification: NONE

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings: NONE

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

Responsive to the restriction requirement, Applicant elects Group I, Claims 1-16, drawn to an apparatus for cutting a workpiece, classified in class 83, subclass 581.

Please cancel Claims 17-20 without prejudice.

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